

Table 1.
Number in Poverty and Poverty Rate by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2001 and 2002

(Numbers in thousands, confidence intervals (C.I.) in thousands or percentage points as appropriate)

Race and Hispanic origin	2001					Race and Hispanic origin	2002					Change in poverty (2002 less 2001) [†]			
	Total	Below poverty level					Total	Below poverty level							
		Number	90-percent C.I. (±)	Percent	90-percent C.I. (±)			Number	90-percent C.I. (±)	Percent	90-percent C.I. (±)	Number	90-percent C.I. (±)	Percent	90-percent C.I. (±)
All races	281,475	32,907	644	11.7	0.2	All races	285,317	34,570	658	12.1	0.2	*1,663	683	*0.4	0.2
White.	229,675	22,739	546	9.9	0.2	White alone or in combination	234,584	24,074	561	10.3	0.2	*1,335	631	*0.4	0.3
						White alone ²	230,376	23,466	554	10.2	0.2	*727	627	*0.3	0.3
White, not Hispanic. . .	194,538	15,271	454	7.8	0.2	White alone, not Hispanic	194,144	15,567	458	8.0	0.2	296	520	0.2	0.3
Black	35,871	8,136	300	22.7	0.8	Black alone or in combination	37,207	8,884	336	23.9	0.8	*748	335	*1.2	0.9
						Black alone ³	35,678	8,602	331	24.1	0.9	*466	332	*1.4	0.9
Asian and Pacific Islander	12,465	1,275	129	10.2	1.0	Asian alone or in combination	12,487	1,243	132	10.0	1.0	−32	137	−0.2	1.1
						Asian alone ⁴	11,541	1,161	127	10.1	1.1	−114	135	−0.1	1.1
						Asian, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, either alone or in combination . .	13,498	1,378	139	10.2	1.0	103	141	-	1.1
						Asian and/or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander ⁵	12,338	1,271	133	10.3	1.0	−4	138	0.1	1.1
Hispanic (of any race) . .	37,312	7,997	300	21.4	0.8	Hispanic (of any race)	39,216	8,555	309	21.8	0.8	*558	255	0.4	0.7

-Represents zero. *Statistically different from zero at the 90-percent confidence level. For an explanation of confidence intervals, see "Standard errors and their use" at www.census.gov/hhes/poverty/poverty02/pov02src.pdf.

¹Details may not sum to totals because of rounding.

²The 2003 Current Population Survey asked respondents to choose one or more races. White alone refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. The use of this single-race population does not imply that it is the preferred method of presenting or analyzing data. The Census Bureau uses a variety of approaches. Information on people who reported more than one race, such as "White and American Indian and Alaska Native" or "Asian and Black or African American," is available from Census 2000 through American FactFinder. About 2.6 percent of people reported more than one race in 2000.

³Black alone refers to people who reported Black and did not report any other race category.

⁴Asian alone refers to people who reported Asian and did not report any other race category.

⁵Asian and/or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander refers to people who reported either or both of these categories, but did not report any other category.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2002 and 2003 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.